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Under the provisions of Section 413.031 of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, Title 5, Subtitle A of the Texas Labor Code, effective June 17, 2001 and Commission Rule 133.305, titled Medical Dispute Resolution-General, and 133.307, titled Medical Dispute Resolution of a Medical Fee Dispute, a review was conducted by the Medical Review Division regarding a medical fee dispute between the requestor and the respondent named above. This dispute was received on 03/18/03.

I. DISPUTE

Whether there should be reimbursement for CPT codes 95935 and 95925 for the date of service 05/03/02. The carrier denied services as "F-Fee Guideline MAR reduction. Definition of code 95925 is one or more nerves, per 1996 TWCC MFG pg 58. F-Fee Guideline MAR reduction per 1996 TWCC MFG pg 42 H/F reflex paid per study, not per nerve."

II. RATIONALE

DOS	CPT	BILLED	PAID	EOB	MAR\$	REFERENCE	RATIONALE:
				Denial Code(s)			
05/03/02	95935 6 units	\$318.00	\$148.40	F	\$53.00 (per study)	MFG MGR (IV) (B)(2)(d)	The requestor billed for one study to the affected extremity and the contralateral extremity was tested to compare affected and unaffected side. The maximum allowable reimbursement is \$64.00 per study of each lower extremity. Therefore, no additional reimbursement is recommended.
05/03/02	95925 6 units	\$175.00	\$0.00	F	\$175.00 (per study)	MFG MGR (IV)(D)	The maximum allowable reimbursement is \$175.00 per study. Therefore, reimbursement is recommended in the amount of \$175.00.
Totals		\$1,933.00	\$0.00				The Requestor is entitled to reimbursement in the amount of \$175.00.

III. FINDINGS & DECISION & ORDER

Based upon the review of the disputed healthcare services within this request, the Division has determined that the requestor **is** entitled to reimbursement for CPT code 95925. Pursuant to Sections 402.042, 413.016, 413.031, and 413.019 the Division hereby ORDERS the Respondent to remit **\$175.00** plus all accrued interest due at the time of payment to the Requestor within 20 days receipt of this Order.

The above Findings and Decision and Order are hereby issued this 8th day of March 2004.

Michael Bucklin Medical Dispute Resolution Officer Medical Review Division

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